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DELAWARE CITY, DE – Congressman John Carney hosted a public meeting last night to discuss safety procedures in nuclear power. He was joined by Bill Levis, President and Chief Operating Officer of PSEG Nuclear, LLC; Bill Dean, Regional Administrator for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Jamie Turner, Director of the Delaware Emergency Management Agency; and David Hodas, Environmental Law Professor at Widener University. The meeting was held at Delaware City Fire Hall.

“Given the recent events that occurred in Japan and our proximity to the Salem and Hope Creek power plants, I think it’s important that Delawareans understand the safety plans in place to protect all of us,” said Congressman Carney. “Our panelists all went into great detail about how they work together to keep Delawareans safe. This information is critical for Delaware residents to understand, and I hope that their coordinated efforts to minimize any risks to our state will continue.”

“This was a great opportunity for the NRC to discuss with the citizens of Delaware how it assures safety at nuclear power plants, including Salem and Hope Creek,” said Bill Dean, Regional Administrator for the U.S. NRC. “It was also an excellent forum in which we could share with the public the NRC’s current plans to enhance safety based on lessons learned from the events in Japan.”

“The meeting was an excellent opportunity to answer questions and explain how Salem and Hope Creek are prepared for events similar to what happened in Japan,” said Bill Levis, President and Chief Operating Officer for PSEG Nuclear, LLC. “We continue to learn from the events in Japan and will use this as a learning opportunity to make improvements as needed. Protecting the health and safety of the public is a responsibility we share with our partners in Delaware.”

“DEMA continues to work very closely with PSEG Nuclear, the New Jersey State Emergency Management, and others to maintain and update Delaware’s radiological emergency plan,” said DEMA Director Jamie Turner. “This plan is DEMA’s roadmap to provide command, coordination, and support for any potential nuclear power plant incident impacting our State.”

For more information about Tuesday’s meeting, please contact Albert Shields in Congressman Carney’s office at (302) 428-1902 or by email at [Albert.Shields@mail.house.gov](mailto:Albert.Shields@mail.house.gov).

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